

WASHINGTON GOSSIP

Drug Dens Are Found Near the Capitol



WASHINGTON.—Revenue officers and detectives in Washington raided four Chinese opium dens within 500 yards of the Capitol and confiscated about \$8,000 worth of the drug. They also secured evidence in the shape of hairpins, women's clothing and shoes to indicate that the places were frequented by large numbers of women. The raids were the beginning of a series that are planned by the authorities who have been watching the activities of Chinese in Washington for several months.

In recent raids in Los Angeles, Cal., the police have unearthed a new system of concealing opium. They were disappointed in the raids of the past few weeks for while they took many suspicious-looking packages, all were sealed with what appeared to be revenue stamps used on boxes of confectionery. On opening some of the

boxes it was shown every one contained opium. Boxes, supposed to contain Chinese tea, were also found full of opium. Some boxes labeled ginseng also contained the drug. The second international opium conference will begin Dec. 1 at The Hague. An invitation from the Netherlands government to attend has been received at the state department.

Despite the prohibitory law of 1909, which makes it illegal to bring into the United States smoking opium, opium smoking still prevails in this country to an alarming extent and is finding its new victims largely in the white population. This is made possible partially by drug smuggled from Canada and along the Pacific coast, and partly by the manufacture of smoking opium in this country from crude opium brought in as a medicinal drug. Of this smuggled article more than 250,000 pounds have been seized in the last two years. In 1910 more than 400,000 pounds of the drug were brought in as medicinal opium. It is estimated that at least 100,000 pounds were successfully smuggled across the border in 1910, and that 10,000 additional pounds are manufactured annually from crude opium.

Hughes' Palace Now in a Black Belt

WHEN Justice Charles E. Hughes of the Supreme court takes possession of his \$100,000 home, which will be finished in a few weeks, he will be the only white man living in the block which his house faces.

Soon after President Taft appointed Governor Hughes to the Supreme court he came to Washington and spent several days looking for a house. He was not satisfied with anything on the market and rented a large, old fashioned house in Massachusetts avenue for his first season.

Then he and Mrs. Hughes spent many afternoons house hunting, but they were disappointed again, and decided finally to build a home. Justice Hughes said at the time that, as he expected to spend the greater part of his life in this city, he wished to have a home that satisfied him in every particular.

For a long time he debated whether he would build in Massachusetts avenue or Sixteenth street, the two most fashionable streets in the city. He chose the latter finally, and bought a good-sized lot on the corner of Sixteenth and V streets. The lot has a frontage in Sixteenth street of about thirty feet and 100 in V street. In



order to have an effective entrance he decided to have the residence face V street. There was no other house of any sort in V street. The property had been held for years at a high price and remained vacant.

Shortly after work was started on both sides of V street between Sixteenth and Seventeenth streets was announced for sale at a greatly reduced price. The land had to be sold and was bought in by a speculative builder, who started the construction of twenty-two-story "box" houses.

The houses were completed six weeks before the roof was on the Hughes house. The houses did not appeal to white purchasers or tenants, and were promptly offered to negroes, who hastened to locate in such a "swell" neighborhood. Although they have been on the market but a short time, seventeen of them are occupied.

Uncle Sam Has 8 Churches in Panama



ALTHOUGH it is the common thought that most of the men working on the great Panama Canal left their religion behind them in the states, those who live in the Canal zone know there are many who observe the laws of Moses and lead the same pure lives they did at home.

When the canal was begun family quarters were built, many men brought or sent for their wives and children, and it has paid. Family life and the presence of good women in their homes have been powerful influences for good. These families coming from every state in the Union meant that schools and churches must be provided. Again Uncle Sam met the need, and at every town along the line of the canal built schoolhouses and churches. Teachers were obtained from the states. Chaplains were employed to attend to the religious needs of the Americans in the zone.

Eight chapels were built, and every one has at least one service each Sabbath. These are two-story buildings with lodge rooms on the second floor. The room on the ground floor known as the church is capable of seating about 250 people. A pulpit at one end of the room, piano and some folding chairs constitute the furnishings.

All authority rests in a body elected by the people attending the church. The executive council of the church in Cristobal is composed of men of every denomination. There are one Methodist, two Baptist, two Presbyterians, one Congregationalist and one Lutheran.

The membership is made up of "those who love the Lord." Membership in the home church is not changed, for no one in the "zone" expects to stay long. The service is broad; the hymns are those well-known in all denominational circles, and altogether they afford a good illustration of the practicability of church union. In Cristobal church a social is held once a month with a little entertainment or refreshments. These are managed by the ladies interested and are a means of welcoming the never-ending newcomers.

Found Lost Fiance at a Picture Show

VISCOUNT JEAN BAPTISTE DE VENTURA, a French officer, strolling along Pennsylvania avenue, waiting for the time to arrive when he would keep an engagement with a friend at the capitol, decided to while away an hour at a moving picture show. He started to purchase a ticket at the first theater on the route, but, instead of buying a ticket, he got a wife and hastened to a near-by parsonage.

Miss Althea Price was selling tickets at the theater, and she happened to be the same young lady with whom the young Frenchman had plighted his troth months ago, only to lose all track of her when he was called to France to settle up an estate.

Viscount Jean Baptiste came to Washington a year ago and, becoming financially embarrassed, got a job. He happened to get a position where Miss Price was working. He soon lost his heart and gave up his job to go home to get some money which he had inherited. He was to return as soon as he got the cash and make Miss Price Viscountess de Ventura.

Months passed, Miss Price moved to another boarding house, and when the viscount returned with the cash he



could not locate her. After months of futile search he left Washington and established himself in New York. He came here on business, still on the lookout for Miss Price.

When the viscount saw Miss Price in his hat, arms and voice all went up in the air. As soon as the girl could extricate herself from the booth and the room of tickets in which she became entangled she forgot all about business until the manager of the theater hastened to remove her for ruining his trade by keeping the crowds watching a show on the outside instead of on the inside.

The viscount scoffed at the manager, and, arm in arm, he and the erstwhile ticket seller hurried around to the residence of the Rev. W. L. Devries. The parson tied the knot and the pair left on a train for New York, where they will live.

One Who Dodged.
Our Wife—I see that an Ohio woman who has just reached the age of 100 years has never been kissed.
He—Well?
"I don't understand it!"
"Why not?"
"You used to live in Ohio."—Hous-ton Post.

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Read the Harp of Various Things.



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QUEUE COSTLY TO CHINESE

Figures Show How Much Money Would Be Saved If It Should Be Abolished.

The present movement in China for the abolition of the queue is encouraging the statisticians to show the Chinese what a saving it will be to them. It seems the combing and braiding of the queue takes every day fifteen minutes of the best hours of every man in China, and perhaps twice that much of the barber's time. Although time is cheap in China, it is worth on the average at least 5 pence a day, and so every man's queue costs him about a half penny a day. Multiply this by the number of males above 15 in the country—say 100,000,000—and by the number of days in the year, and you get about £73,000,000. Besides this cash value of time saved the actual cost of the material used must also be taken into account. A moderate estimate of the sum spent every year by each individual on queue cords, etc., is \$4,000,000 per annum for the whole country. It is also reckoned that the queue shortens the life of a man's coat or gown by about one-tenth, and another \$4,000,000 would be saved on this head. There would be other economies, too; but these alone would mean a saving of \$81,000,000 a year. It seems the wearing of the queue is quite a modern thing. It was insisted on in 1644 by the Manchu conquerors, and was resisted to the death by many Chinese patriots. Just as many now, probably, would resist its abolition.

UP TO SANTA TO MAKE GOOD

One Cleveland Youngster is Out This Year With a Demand to Be "Shown."

David Monroe, son of A. F. Monroe, of Lakewood, falls to enthuse when his young playmates speculate upon some such mode of conduct as shall insure a visit, come Christmas, of Santa Claus. He is not exactly sophisticated, but his illusions about the German saint have been rudely dispelled.

Giving vent to his disappointment, last year, over what to his childish mind seemed a slight in the number of his presents, his father handed him a bright half-dollar, bidding him put it in his stocking and await results. "Maybe he'll come back," was his advice.

In the morning David found, in place of the coin, two peanuts. Which was not calculated to restore his disappointment.

"Pop," he asked, "what do you suppose became of that half dollar?"

"Why," said the elder Monroe, shamelessly, "I suppose Santa took it."

"Huh!" replied the kid. "Half a dollar for two peanuts! No wonder Raymond Stotter says Santa Claus is an old fraud!"

It's up to Santa to redeem himself this year.—Cleveland Leader.

Troubles and thistles sting worse under gingerly handling!

There never was a trouble yet that wasn't magnified by talking about it!

FOR YOUR HAIR

Here Are Facts We Want You to Prove at Our Risk.

When the roots of the hair are entirely dead and the pores of the scalp are glazed over, we do not believe that anything can restore hair growth. But, when the hair roots retain any life, we believe there is nothing that will so surely promote hair growth as will Rexall "93" Hair Tonic. To prove that statement, we promise to promptly return all the money you pay us for Rexall "93" Hair Tonic, should it not please you.

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His Reason.
"If I were to die would you marry again?"
"Yes."
"You will never find another woman like me."
"I know it; that's the reason I'll try marriage a second time."—Hous-ton Post.

The Pity of It.
Just about the time that a woman finds out how to preserve her beauty she discovers that she is so old that it will not be worth while.

Short Life of Goldfish.
The life of a goldfish is rarely more than five years in captivity under the most favorable circumstances.

Preach, but Don't Practice.
In their admiration for the golden rule some people allow distance to lend enchantment to the view.

Don't think that piles can't be cured. Thousands of obstinate cases have been cured by Doan's Ointment, 50 cents at any drug store.

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Daily Reminder.
No better day than this on which to follow Walt Whitman's example to loaf and invite your soul, provided your soul will accept the invitation. At least you can loaf.

Diet of the Alligator.
Alligators are said to eat nothing in winter. Their diet is almost all meat, preferably liver. In cool weather they eat about once a week and in warm weather oftener.

Temperature of Boiling Water.
When water boils and steam escapes, the temperature of the water rises no higher, however great the heat of the fire.

The Only Way.
Hewitt—"I want him to stand back of what he says." Jewett—"Then you'd better get him to say it by telephone."

Bouquets.
"She is just crazy to read my last book of poems."
"Anyone is."

Business stationery—Dispatch office

Endurance Tests.
"I kind of wish," remarked the government employee, "that they'd give me another kind of an endurance test." "You want physical exertion?" "Yes. I wish that for a change they'd let me see how many miles I can ride on horseback instead of how many hours I can sit at a desk."

Distrust.
"That man wants to know whether you are going to stand by him," said the political assistant. "I'm obliged to," replied Senator Sorghum. "It wouldn't be safe not to stand by him close enough to watch him."

Supreme Cant.
Of all the cants which are canted in this canting world, though the cant of hypocrites may be the worst, the cant of criticism is the most tormenting.—Laurence Sterne.

Usually the Case.
"Some folks claim they don't get nothing out of life."
"They are the kind that don't put nothing into it to draw interest on."

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